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Kaplan Elected Chair of Law Revision Commission

Frank Kaplan, a Santa Monica attorney, has been elected Chairperson of the California Law Revision Commission. William E. Weinberger, a Los Angeles attorney, has been elected Vice Chairperson. The term of office is one year, beginning September 1, 2003.

The Law Revision Commission is a state agency responsible for studying problem areas in California law and recommending needed reforms to the Governor and Legislature. The Commission recently drafted, at the Legislature's direction, legislation to implement trial court restructuring. Projects currently underway include issues involved in financial privacy, review of civil and criminal procedure in light of trial court unification, overhaul of common interest development law, and improvement of the rules of evidence and civil discovery, among other matters.

Frank Kaplan, the new Chairperson, was appointed to the Commission in 2002 and previously served as the Commission's Vice Chairperson in 2002-2003. He is a partner at Alschuler, Grossman, Stein & Kahan LLP, with 30 years of experience in business litigation. His expertise includes class action suits, complex business litigation, partnership litigation, professional liability litigation, and insurance coverage litigation.

Kaplan also serves as an arbitrator for the Los Angeles County Superior Court and the Los Angeles County Bar Association. He is a member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, Beverly Hills Bar Association, American Bar Association, and the Association of Business Trial Lawyers. Kaplan is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and of the University of Michigan Law School.

The Law Revision Commission's new Vice Chairperson, William E. Weinberger, was appointed to the Commission in 2002. He is an attorney with the law firm of Christa & Jackson, specializing in business, real estate, professional liability, and first amendment litigation. Weinberger is a graduate of Cornell University and of Stanford Law School.

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